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1. Coal inventory of the East German railroads as of 17 October 1953.
Quantities are given in tons.

<u>RBD</u>	<u>Hard Coal</u>	<u>Brown Coal (briquettes)</u>
Berlin	6200	8300
Greifswald	3300	8100
Schwerin	3200	8100
Magdeburg	4300	10700
Halle	6100	20000
Erfurt	7400	21000
Dresden	6400	22500
Cottbus	3100	10700

2. On 23 September 1953, 19 type 50 locomotives were seen on a siding at kilometer stone 27 a short distance from Ruednitz railroad station on the Berlin-Eberswalde line. These locomotives had been newly painted; the wheels were red. The smokestacks were covered.

3. As of late October 1953, the locomotive repair shop in Stendal employed approximately 5,000 persons excluding apprentices. They work two and three shifts daily. The shop repairs locomotives and constructs new ones. All the sidings are full of newly-built locomotives and locomotives in need of repair. Work cannot be completed because of a shortage of white metal for bearings and driving rods.

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